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PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

Laos is one of the world's few remaining communist states, enduring as a one-party socialist Marxist republic supported financially by China and Vietnam. Economic progress was made in the last few years, with poverty, education and health outcomes improved, but COVID-19 has significantly set back the pace of this growth. At one point, persecution of Christian Believers was mandated by the federal government, however their stance has changed over the last two decades. National legislation to protect churches has been introduced, but only for the one approved protestant denomination. Persecution of the Church is localized, often driven by society and local government officials who abuse their power and position. Despite persecution, the Christian community grows in number and boldness. 32 percent of the population are under the age of 15, so children's and youth ministry is very important.

Praise Report

Praise God for programs to disciple and train Lao Believers in the Christian faith, and principles and practices of evangelism and missions (The Bible, [Exodus 18:20](#)).

Prayer Requests

The majority of Christian Believers in Laos come from various ethnic minority group, rather than the majority Lowland Lao people group. Pray that this will dramatically change in the coming years (The Bible, [Revelation 5:9](#)).

Pray that the government will be willing to recognize more than just one official protestant denomination, allowing greater religious freedom and protection for many more churches (The Bible, [Proverbs 31:8-9](#)).

Call to Salvation

Pray for the salvation of those in authority (The Bible, [1 Timothy 2:1-4](#)).

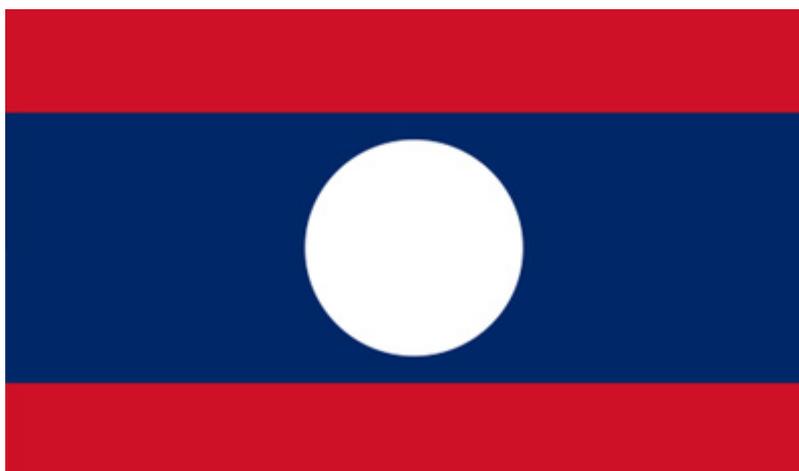
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Christian workers in the region

MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

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CHIEF OF STATE

President Chuomaly Sayasone

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President Thongsing Thammavong

POPULATION

6,912,000

CHRISTIANS

3.2%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

2.1%

DOMINANT RELIGION

Buddhism

PERSECUTION RANKING

22

REFUGEES

7,559

LIFE EXPECTANCY

63.88 yrs

LITERACY RATE

73%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

22%